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SOVIET POULTRY MEAT PRODUCTION

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- 1. CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE CPSU AND THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS OF THE USSR ADOPTED A RESOLUTION THIS WEEK ON "MEASURES FOR THE INCRESE OF POULTRY MEAT PRODCTUION."
- 2. RESOLUTION CALL FOR TOTAL POULTRY MEAT PRODUCTION TO DOUBLE, AD BROILER MEAT PRODUCTION --IN PARTICULAR--TO QUADRUPLE BY 1980. THE RESOLUTION ALSO INDICATED PRODUCTION WOULD HAVE TO INCREASE EVEN MORE IN THE 11TH PLAN PERIOD (1981/85).
- 3. ARTICLE FURTHER ALLUDED TO THE GOAL BY STATING THAT BUILDINGS, RECONSTRUCTION AND EXPANDING OF THE STATE POULTRY FARMS, FACTORIES AND EXPERIMENT STATIONS HAVE BEEN APPROVED.

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4. RESOLUTION CALLS UPON THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE OF THE USSR, MINISTRY OF MACHINE BUILDING; LIVE-STOCK BREEDING, FEED PRODUCTION, AS WELL AS THE LENIN ALL-UNION ARICULTURAL ACADEMY TO ENSURE THE SUCCESS OF THE PROJECT BY:

(A) BREEDING NEW STRAINS OF BROILERS AND POULTRY CAPABLE OF ATTAING WEIGHT OF 1.6-1.7 KILOS AT SEVEN

WEEKS OF AGE;

- (B) IMPLEMENT INTO PRODUCTION NEW POULTRY MEAT PRODUCTION TECHNOLOGY (E.G. CAGE EQUIPMENT FOR BROILER PRODUCTION);
- (C) CREATE HIGH-ENERGY FEED RATIONS WHICH WILL RESULT IN ONE CENTNER OF GRAIN FOR EACH 2.0-2.5 CENTERS OF FEED UNITS.
- (D) APPROPRIATE ORGANIZATIONS ARE TO ENSURE IN 1977/80 THE DESIGN, PRODUCTION AND DELIVERY OF MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT FOR BREEDING OF POULTRY AND THE PRODUCTION OF POULTRY MEATS;
- (E) SIGNIFICANTLY, RESOLUTION URGES THATEACH PEASANT, WORKER ANDOFFICE EMPLOYEE SHALL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO PURCHASE AND RAISE POULTRY OF THEIR OWN.
- 6. AGATT OFFICE DISCUSSIONS WITHOFFICIALS OF MINAG (USSR); MINAG OF RSFSR; MIN PROCUREMENT OF SUSR AND GOSPLAN SINCE RESOLUTION APPEARED YIELD NO NEW INFORMATION. IN RESPONSE TO OUR QUESTONS CONCERNING THEIR NEEDS FOR ADDITIONAL FEED MATERIALS, NEW POULTRY GENETIC LINES, EQUIPMENT, ETC..., TO FULFIL NEW THRUST, STOCK REPLY WAS "WE HAVE SUFFICIENT RESOURCES TO DO THE JOB." END UNCLASSIFIED

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7. COMMENT: RESOULTUION CONFIRMS SOVIET EMPHASIS ON BROILER PRODUCTION AS THE QUICKEST AND MOST EFFICIENT MEANS OF INCREASING MEAT PRODUCTION. WHILE 1976 BROILER LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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PRODUCTION STATISTICS HAVE NOT BEEN PUBLISHED, AGATT OFFICE BELIEVE OUTPUT PROBABLY WAS NO GREATER THAN IN 1975 AND MAY HAVE ACTUALLY DECLINED SLIGHTLY AS ANIMAL NUMBERS WERE ADJUSTED DUE TO SHORT 1975 GRAIN CROP.

8. SOVIET DATA AS OF APRIL 1, 1977, INDICATES POULTRY NUMBERS ON STATE AND COLLECTIVE FARMS ARE THREE PERCENT ABOVE PRE-DISTTRESS SLAUGHTER PRIOD LEVELS --THUS PROVIDING FOUNDATION FOR RAPID RECOVERY.

BASED ON AVAILABLE INFORMATION, WE BELIEVE BROILER PRODUCTION AND POULTRY MEAT PRODUCTION SHOULD CONTINUE TO RISE, HOWEVER, THE SOVIET GOALS FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE CURRENT FIVE-YEAR PLAN APPEAR TO BE OUT OF REACH.

9. DOMESTIC PRODUCTOION WILL MOT LIKELY CONTINUE TO BE SUPPLEENTED BY IMPORTS, THE SOVIETS REPORTEDLY PURCHASED 60,300 METTRIC TONS FROM OUTSIDE

SOURCES INDICATE THEY WILL PRUCHASE APPROXIMATELY 7,000 MT OF POULTRY MEAT IN MAY, INCLUDING 3,000 DUTCH, 2,000 GERMAN AND 2,000 DANISH.

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